Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Donald Eugene Harer was born on December 21, 1923, in Pierre, South Dakota, to Fred and Cecilia (Jost) Harer; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Donald married Norma Hockesson on November 1, 1947, and to this union five children were born, Randall, Kathy, Kenton, Richard, and David, who procreated 10 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Donald and Norma own and operate the Harer Lodge Bed and Breakfast; and,

Whereas, Donald will observe his 80th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 21, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his many friends and his relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State